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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Applicants have reviewed the Examiner's statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanying the Notice of Allowance dated May 19, 2008, and submits the following comments. Applicants respectfully request that the following comments be placed into the prosecution record prior to issuance of the above-identified application.

In the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner stated that the prior art of record does not teach, disclose or suggest certain limitations of the Applicants' claims. Applicants point out that the different independent claims are not identical, and that the specific limitations addressed by the Examiner in the Statement for Reasons for Allowance do not appear verbatim in every independent claim. Applicants agree with the Examiner that the claims are allowable over the cited references. Applicants point out, however, that the independent claims require many other limitations not taught or suggested by the prior art and that the claims are allowable for at least the reasons set forth in Applicants' responses.

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In the Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner also pointed to locations throughout Applicant's specification to characterize the limitations of Applicant's claims. Applicant notes that the specification describes a number of examples and the specific locations of the Applicant's specification referenced by the Examiner should not be used to limit the scope of Applicant's claims. To the contrary, the specification sets forth examples only for purposes of illustration.

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